

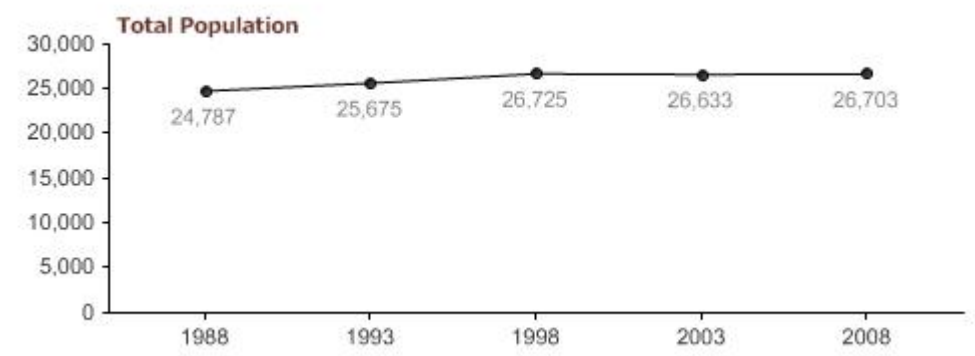
Clay County, IN Highlights

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Overview	Population	Education	Commuting	Labor Force	Industry	Income	Firm Size

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	24,787	25,675	26,725	26,633	26,703
Change Since 1988		888	1,938	1,846	1,916
Pct. Change Since 1988		3.6%	7.8%	7.4%	7.7%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008		
	Number	
Net Domestic Migration	8	
International Migration	8	
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	50	
Births	338	
Deaths	288	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,686	6.3%
School Age	4,751	17.8%
College Age	2,213	8.3%
Young Adult	7,156	26.9%
Older Adult	6,907	25.9%
Older (65 plus)	3,935	14.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	82	0.3%
Asian Alone	87	0.3%
Black Alone	210	0.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	6	0.0%
White Alone	26,066	97.9%
Two or More Race Groups	197	0.7%



Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	26,400	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	248	0.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000

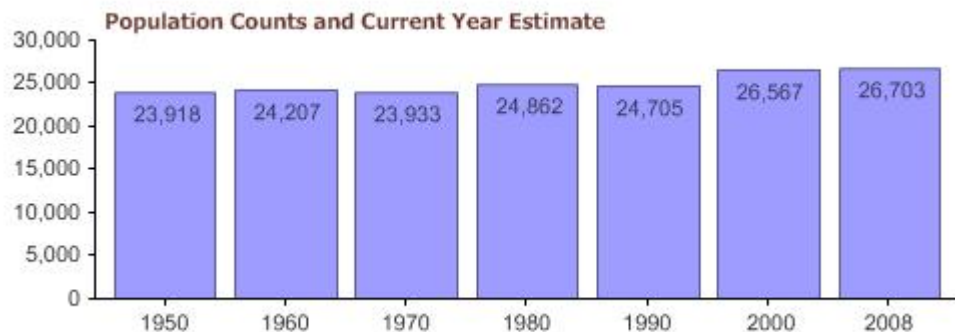
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	10,216	100.0%
Family Households	7,435	72.8%
Married with Children	2,635	25.8%
Married without Children	3,467	33.9%
Single Parents	798	7.8%
Other	535	5.2%
Non-family Households	2,781	27.2%
Living Alone	2,433	23.8%
Average Household Size	2.60	
Average Family Household Size	3.57	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical	Pct. Chg.
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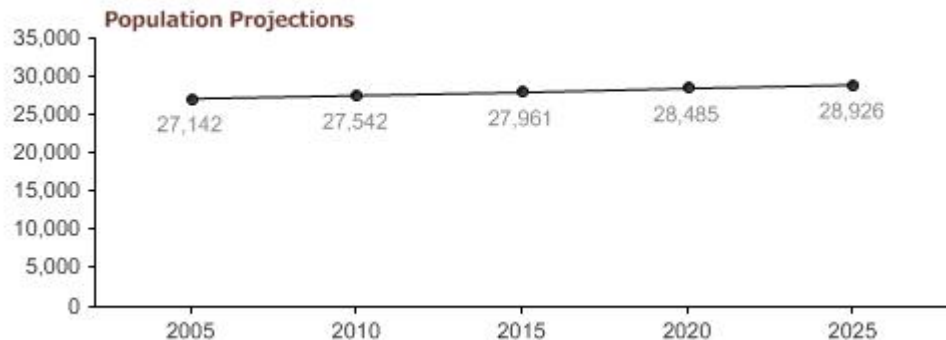
		Chg.	
1950	23,918	NA	NA
1960	24,207	289	1.2%
1970	23,933	-274	-1.1%
1980	24,862	929	3.9%
1990	24,705	-157	-0.6%
April 2000	26,567	1,862	7.5%
2008	26,703	136	0.5%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	27,142	27,542	27,961	28,485	28,926
Change Since 2005		400	819	1,343	1,784
Pct. Change Since 2005		1.5%	3.0%	4.9%	6.6%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center